

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 13, 17 and 18 and ADD new claim 19 in accordance with the following:

1-12. (CANCELLED)

13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of electronically authorizing or repudiating an electronically processed task, comprising:

storing a plurality of elements forming tasks ~~to be electronically processed~~ into a database subsequent to an electronic authorization or repudiation of said tasks, each of said plurality of elements including a user identifier requesting authorization and/or repudiation reasons;

retrieving repudiation reasons from said database for a task ~~including having~~ elements forming the task to be electronically authorized and for ~~the a~~ user requesting authorization of said task; and

displaying said retrieved repudiation reasons for the task and retrieved repudiation reasons for the user, and

wherein ~~a user authorizing the task is provided with information indicative of which of~~ said elements forming the task to be electronically authorized, ~~should be reviewed an element designated as a check point is provided for review based on a predetermined number of said~~ retrieved repudiation reasons for the task and the user.

14-16. (CANCELLED)

17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of electronically authorizing or repudiating an electronically processed task, comprising:

associating elements forming completed tasks with a user requesting authorization or repudiation reasons with respect to the completed tasks; and

~~indicating~~ identifying an element necessitating review as a check point for review among
elements of a new electronically processed task presented by the user for ~~focus of review, where~~
said element matches a previously repudiated element of the completed tasks in accordance
~~with the association of the elements forming the completed tasks corresponding to the user and~~
~~based on a predetermined number of repudiation reasons retrieved for the task and the user.~~

18. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of electronically authorizing or repudiating electronically processed tasks, comprising:

receiving a first task having contents developed by a user;

comparing the contents of the first task with contents of a second task previously developed by the user and reviewed by a reviewer; and

identifying an object among the contents of the first task as a check point to be ~~authorized or repudiated~~ reviewed by the reviewer when said comparing indicates that the object of the first task ~~is identical to~~ matches an object of the second task previously ~~developed and reviewed~~ repudiated.

19. (NEW) A method of electronically authorizing or repudiating electronically processed tasks, comprising:

determining whether elements of a task match elements of previously reviewed tasks associated with a user responsive to submission of the task for review by the user; and

reviewing only elements of the task matching repudiated elements of the previously reviewed tasks of the user based on said determining.